



ENERGY FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



Energy Efficiency and Community Block Grant Program

Workshop on Grants for Smaller Communities

April 2010

WORKSHOP AGENDA

- ✕ Welcome and Introductions
- ✕ EECBG Program Overview
- ✕ Program Funding Opportunities:
 - + Energy Audits
 - + Formula Program
 - + Competitive Program
- ✕ Eligible Projects
- ✕ Special Conditions and Program Requirements
- ✕ Program Timeline
- ✕ Information Resources
- ✕ Questions

EECBG PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- ✖ Program established in the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007
- ✖ Program funded for first time under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
 - + \$3.2 Billion dollars going to states, territories, local governments and Indian Tribes
- ✖ State of Delaware received \$9.59M as a direct recipient
 - + 60% of state funds will go to local governments that did not receive a direct grant

EECBG PROGRAM OVERVIEW

✕ EECBG Program Purpose:

- + To Assist State and local governments in implementing strategies to:
 - Reduce fossil fuel emissions
 - Reduce energy use
 - Improve energy efficiency in buildings and transportation sectors
 - Spur economic growth and create jobs

THREE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

- ✖ Energy Audit Grant Program
- ✖ Formula Grant Program
- ✖ Competitive Grant Program

ENERGY AUDIT GRANT PROGRAM

- ✖ Purpose
- ✖ Prequalified Energy Auditors
- ✖ Operates via MOA between DNREC, Local Government & Energy Auditor
- ✖ Fast Turnaround Program – Audits must be completed by **MAY 31, 2010**

ENERGY AUDIT PROGRAM PROCESS

- ✘ DNREC Energy Office (DEO) lists qualified firms.
- ✘ The local governments will contact a qualified firm of their choice directly
- ✘ Local Government submits application and Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to DEO signed by the Local Government Official AND the Energy Auditor selected
- ✘ DNREC official will sign and execute the MOA form and return a copy to the local government.
- ✘ Energy audit firm will perform the audit.
- ✘ Energy audit firms will invoice local government.
- ✘ DEO pays local government for completed audits.
- ✘ Local Government will pay energy audit firm.

FORMULA GRANT PROGRAM

- ✘ Funding Allocations Based on 2007 Census Population
- ✘ Eligible Uses of Funds – Limited to NEPA Categorical Exclusions
- ✘ Will Operate via Contract (Grant Award Agreement) including Flow Down Requirements
- ✘ Application Deadline: **MAY 31, 2010**
- ✘ Grant Awards: by June 30, 2010
- ✘ Grants run through: September 1, 2012

COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM

- ✖ Over \$3 Million Dollars will be available
- ✖ Eligible Uses of Funds – NOT Limited to NEPA Categorical Exemptions
- ✖ Will Operate via Contract (Grant Award Agreement) including Flow Down Requirements
- ✖ Application Deadline: **JULY 9, 2010**
- ✖ Grant Awards: by September 1, 2010
- ✖ Grants run through: September 1, 2012

ELIGIBLE USES OF FUNDS

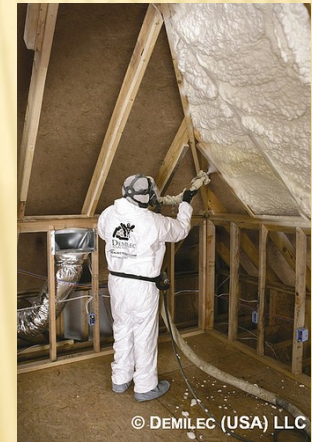
- ✘ Primarily for energy efficiency and energy conservation
- ✘ Community-wide; not just municipal buildings and facilities; i.e., Community Fire Stations, Libraries, Park Facilities, etc.
- ✘ Don't have to do capital projects; can do programs, i.e., incentive programs to reduce travel commute time, employee flex-time programs, promote satellite work centers, etc.
- ✘ Prioritize activities that pay dividends year after year

ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

REQUIRING NO ADDITIONAL NEPA REVIEW

- ✘ Building Energy Audits
- ✘ Financial Incentive Programs for Energy Efficiency
- ✘ Energy Efficiency Retrofits
- ✘ Energy Efficiency and Conservation Programs for Buildings and Facilities
- ✘ Development and Implementation of Transportation Programs
- ✘ Building Codes and Enforcement
- ✘ Traffic Signals and Street Lighting
- ✘ Material Conservation Programs; source reduction, recycling, etc.
- ✘ Renewable Energy Technologies on Government Buildings

Energy Efficiency



Traffic Signals and Street Lighting



RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS

- ✘ Develop, implement and install onsite renewable energy technology on government buildings that generates electricity from renewable resources, including solar energy, wind energy, fuel cells and biomass



SPECIAL CONDITIONS – FORMULA & COMPETITIVE GRANTS

- ✘ Davis Bacon Act (prevailing wages)
Applies
- ✘ Coordination with State Office of Historic Preservation is Required
- ✘ Buy American Act applies
- ✘ NEPA Review Required for all projects that are not categorically excluded
- ✘ Waste Management Plan

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

- ✘ All project sites are subject to review under SHPO regulations.
- ✘ For information on submitting projects for Section 106 review, contact Joan Larrivee at 302-736-7400 or joan.larrivee@state.de.us

DAVIS BACON ACT

- ✖ Prevailing Wage requirements
 - + Applies to retrofits and renewable energy projects
- ✖ Applies to all contracts > \$2,000
- ✖ Requires weekly collection of payroll



BUY AMERICAN ACT

- ✘ Requires use of American iron, steel, and manufactured goods in projects.
- ✘ Waivers have been issued for:
 - LED Lighting, HVAC, CFL's, LED Traffic Lights, Electronic Ballasts

WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Must be submitted with the
Formula & Competitive
applications



WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

- ✖ Describes any waste that may result from project activity, including: type of waste; whether the waste is hazardous or sanitary; and quantity of waste.
- ✖ Describes process for disposing of the waste, including: how the waste is disposed, who disposes of the waste, and how the disposal process is in compliance with federal and state regulations.

INVOICING & REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

FOR FORMULA & COMPETITIVE GRANTS:

- ✗ Monthly
 - + Invoices (expenditures to contractors and vendors)
 - + Reports on hours worked (jobs created/retained) must be submitted with invoices
- ✗ ARRA Performance Progress Report
 - + Estimated Energy Savings and GHG Emission Reductions must be tracked and reported
- ✗ Special Status Report – Annual and as required
- ✗ Financial Reports
- ✗ Davis-Bacon Act Report
- ✗ Property Certification

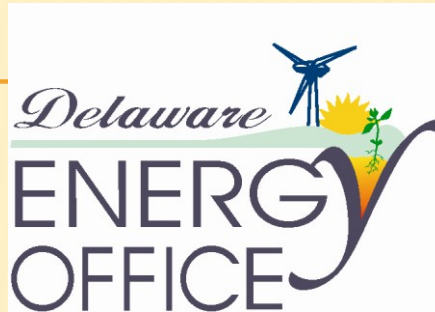
EECBG GRANT PROGRAM TIMELINE

- ✘ **April 30** – DEO will release RFP for competitive program
- ✘ **May 31** - Audit Program closes, Formula Grant applications due
- ✘ **April 1 – July 9** – DEO will provide assistance to local governments in developing Energy Strategy Statements /Scope of Work for project activities for formula and competitive grants
- ✘ **June 30** – Formula Grant contracts awarded
- ✘ **July 9** – Competitive Grant applications due
- ✘ **September 1** - Competitive Grant contracts awarded
- ✘ **September 1, 2012** – Formula and Competitive Grant projects must be completed

INFORMATION RESOURCES

For additional information on the EECBG Program visit: <http://www.eecbg.energy.gov/> or for info on project development check out the EECBG Solution Center: www.eecbg.energy.gov/solutioncenter/default.html

Additional specific information sources can be found on the “Resources & Information” page in the Formula Grant Application Package



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